Documents E-14 and H-22; are identical. This document is a five-page memorandum, dated 4/24/63, to Director, Los Angeles District, from Inspector D. L. Dovel, subject: Interview regarding Hubbard E. Meter. This memorandum is a report of a particular individual's experiences with the Church of Scientology

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